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**TITLE:** APPARATUS FOR MANUFACTURING A HONEYCOMB STRUCTURE  
HAVING SLITS

**1. Type of Application**

This is a request for filing a ***DIVISIONAL APPLICATION*** under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No.:	09/768,891	Prior Art Unit:	1732
Filed:	January 24, 2001	Prior Examiner:	Mark Eashoo
Title:	METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING A HONEYCOMB STRUCTURE HAVING SLITS		
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**2. Papers Enclosed**

**A. Required for filing date under 37 CFR 1.53(b) (Regular) are:**

<u>31</u>	Page(s) of Specification
<u>3</u>	Page(s) of Claims
<u>1</u>	Page(s) of Abstract
<u>11</u>	Sheets of Formal Drawings (Figs. 1(a)-12(b))

**B. Other Papers Enclosed**

- ☒ A Patent Application Bibliographic Data Sheet
- ☒ A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney from the prior application
- ☐ A Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☒ Form PTO-1449

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**4. Nonpublication Request Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

- ☐ Applicants hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.
- ☐ Applicants hereby request that the attached application **not** be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

**5. Relate Back****A. 35 U.S.C. 119(e)**

- ☐ Priority of provisional application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_, is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).

**B. 35 U.S.C. 120, 121 and 365(c)**

- ☒ Priority of said prior application(s) is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120.

<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Relationship</u>
09/768,891	January 24, 2001	Parent

**C. 35 U.S.C. 119 Priority Claim for Prior Application**

- ☒ Priority of foreign application(s) is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 as follows:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2000-046530	February 23, 2000

- ☒ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application was filed in prior application Serial No. 09/768,891 on January 24, 2001.

**6. Assignment**

The prior application is assigned of record to NGK Insulators, Ltd. at Reel 011482, Frame(s) 0517-0519 (recorded January 24, 2001).

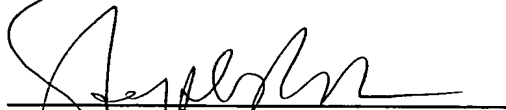
**7. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:**

<b>Basic Filing fee</b> (37 CFR §1.16(a))				\$ 770.00
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	
Total Claims	8 - 20 =	0	× \$ 18.00	
Independent Claims	1 - 3 =	0	× \$ 86.00	
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)			+ \$290.00	
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				\$ 770.00
[ ] Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				
<b>TOTAL FEES DUE =</b>				<b>\$ 770.00</b>

**8. Payment of Fees and Authorization to Charge Additional Fees or Credit Overpayment**

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$770.00 is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1446. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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